Dear Fellow OHV Enthusiast,

Central Oregon's <u>Combined Off Highway Vehicle Operations</u> is applying to the State's <u>Recreational Trails</u> <u>Program</u> for funds to develop and maintain OHV opportunity. We have three grant requests in the works and we need your letters of support!

The first project is staging area development for the Rim Butte trails. Rim Butte will be an approximately 17 mile system of predominately technical rock crawling routes. The system will be open to all classes of OHV. Work should begin this fall. The RTP funds will be used to develop two approximately 3 acre sites for camping and staging. The two sites will each have a CXT style restroom, information kiosk, directional signs, interior fencing, and graveled roadways. Funds are also being requested to purchase trail markers and signs.

The second project is staging area development for the <u>Cline Buttes Motorized Recreation Area</u>. The site is located north of highway 126 on Buckhorn Road; across from the Barr North OHV trailhead on the south side of the highway. It will be approximately 10 acres and include a CXT style restroom, information kiosk, directional signs, interior and boundary fencing, and graveled roadways. This staging area will serve the continued development of OHV trails north of the highway.

The third project is for maintenance and rehab of the <u>Rosland OHV Play Area</u> in La Pine. Rosland was developed years ago using juniper split railing to define the OHV play areas and other boundaries. That split railing has reached the end of its lifespan and COHVOPS proposes to replace it using pressure treated post and pole fencing. This will improve safety and maintain the play area as an attractive place to recreate.

As is usually the case, these projects are going to take some work to implement and COHVOPS is asking for your support not only with letters for the grant applications but also with volunteer time.

Please submit one letter for each project by July 23rd. A short paragraph expressing your support for the projects and OHV recreation in general would be greatly appreciated.

You can email letters to: ghooper@fs.fed.us or mail letters to the address below. Feel free to call if you have questions about these projects.

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